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DPW CREWS CONTINUE POTHOLE WORK, PRIVATE CONTRACT WORK COMPLETE

Nearly 10,000 pothole service requests completed since March

INDIANAPOLIS – The City's aggressive attack on potholes has led to the completion of thousands of pothole repair requests throughout Marion County. The private contractors who worked alongside DPW union crews to repair potholes have completed their contracts. They patched potholes in neighborhoods and residential streets beginning March 7 when regional paving contractor Rieth-Riley Construction Co. opened its two asphalt plants nearly a month earlier than usual at the request of Mayor Greg Ballard. This enabled the City to have access to hot asphalt. Having hot asphalt has enabled a more permanent solution to potholes.

The added manpower has made a tremendous impact in the pothole repair program. The Indianapolis Department of Public Works (DPW) worked 12-hour shifts, six days a week under the City's aggressive plan. As a result, DPW crews and private contractors have completed more than 9,800 pothole service requests since March 7. A pothole service request can vary from one pothole to a dozen. The private contractors used 2540.85 tons of asphalt.

The attack on potholes isn't over. DPW crews will continue to patch potholes on main thoroughfares, secondary and residential streets. The peak season for repairing potholes usually begins in March and lasts until June.

Residents and commuters can report potholes by visiting www.indy.gov/pothole to access RequestIndy. They can also call the Mayor's Action Center, 327-4MAC.